

Summary of Proposed Ordinance Relating to Zoning, Site Alteration and Critical Areas

This summary applies to the proposed Critical Areas Ordinance dated December 10, 2002, and fulfills the state Growth Management Act and King County Code 20.18.100 requirement for a “plain language” summary.

Some of these changes were included in proposed ordinances that were transmitted to the King County Council but not adopted. These items are noted using the following abbreviations:

SAO: The proposed amendments to the Sensitive Areas Ordinance, King County Code (K.C.C.) chapter 21A.24 pending at council (Proposed Ordinance 1999-0353).

SALT: The proposed Site Alteration Code pending at council (Proposed Ordinance 2000-0525). This is a proposed update to the Clearing and Grading Code.

New Chapter, “Critical Aquifer Recharge Areas”

Section 1 -- Administrative section to recodify King County Code (K.C.C.) sections 20.70.030 and 20.70.060, each as amended by this ordinance, and K.C.C. sections 20.70.020, 20.70.040, and 20.70.050, as a chapter in K.C.C. Title 21A. This chapter addresses critical aquifer recharge areas.

Section 2 -- King County Code provisions adopted. (*K.C.C. 20.70.030*) Revised to update cross references to the site alterations chapter and mineral extraction (formerly K.C.C. chapters 16.82 and 21A.22, respectively), which have both been recodified into K.C.C. Title 21A.

Section 3 -- Evaluation and implementation. (*K.C.C. 20.70.060*) Corrects cross reference to K.C.C. 20.70.20, which has been recodified by this ordinance.

Section 4 -- Ordinance 11481, Section 8, and K.C.C. 20.70.200 are repealed. This is a severability section from the prior ordinance.